## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

RESTORATION ST. LOUIS, INC.,	)
Plaintiff,	)
v.	) Case No. 4:13-cv-00669
3RD ST. IA LLC,	) JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
Defendant.	) )

## ANSWER TO ST. LOUIS TITLE, LLC'S CROSSCLAIM FOR INTERPLEADER

COMES NOW Defendant 3RD ST. IA LLC ("3rd ST"), by and through counsel, and for Answer to St. Louis Title LLC's Crossclaim for Interpleader states as follows:

- 1. 3rd ST denies the allegations of paragraph 1 for lack of information.
- 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST admits the allegations of paragraph 2.
- 3. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST admits the allegations of paragraph 3.
- 4. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST denies the allegations of paragraph 4.
- 5. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST admits the allegations of paragraph 5.
- 6. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief about the truth of the allegations set forth in paragraph 6.
  - 7. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST admits the allegations of paragraph 7.
  - 8. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST denies the allegations of paragraph 8.
- 9. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief about the truth of the allegations set forth in paragraph 9.

10. 3rd ST denies the allegations of paragraph 10.

## **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

- 1. 3<sup>rd</sup> ST is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of this Court and hereby asserts lack of personal jurisdiction pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(2). 3<sup>rd</sup> ST contends that the entire controversy, including the Counterclaim and Crossclaim for Interpleader should be dismissed or transferred to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa.<sup>1</sup>
  - 2. Intervener has failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

WHEREFORE, Defendant 3<sup>rd</sup> ST respectfully requests that the Court dismiss Intervener's Crossclaim, enter judgment in favor of 3<sup>rd</sup> ST IA LLC, assess costs of this action against Intervener and grant such other and further relief as deemed equitable in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of this Answer, 3<sup>rd</sup> ST IA LLCs motion to dismiss Restoration St. Louis's Complaint for lack of personal jurisdiction is pending. Depending on the Court's ruling on such motion, 3<sup>rd</sup> ST intends to seek dismissal of the Counterclaim and Crossclaim for Interpleader.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was filed using the Court's electronic filing system, served via that system to those registered, on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, upon the following:

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